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SUBJ: MORNING SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT REPORTS

1. DANISH VIEWS ON PRESIDENT NIXON'S VISIT

DANISH FOREIGN MINISTER ANDERSEN TOLD AMBASSDOR CROWE
SEPTEMBER 3 THAT THE DANES FELT QUESTIONS OF EUROPEAN
SECURITY SHOULD BE DISCUSSED SEPARATELY FROM ECONOMIC
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PROBMLER. HE ALSO FELT THE PRESIDENT'S VISIT WOULD IN-
TENSIFY THE DIALOGUE BETWEEN EUROPE AND THE UNITED STATES,
AND THAT IT WOULD BE USEFUL FOR THE PRESIDENT TO MEET
WITH THE EC COMMITTEE OF NINE. (CONFIDENTIAL) COPENHAGEN
2110, 9/4.

2. IRAN WILL SEEK BIG INCREASE IN OIL REVENUES

EMBASSY TEHRAN REPORTS THAT IRAN WILL PUSH FOR BIG INCREASES IN OIL REVENUES AT THE FORTHCOMING SEPTEMBER 15 OPEC MEETING. THE EMBASSY BELIEVES THAT IRAN'S PUSH HAS BEEN STIMULATED BY PRECIPITOUS INCREASES IN THE PRICES OF IMPORTED AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES, PRICE INCREASES IN INDONESIAN, VENEZUELAN, AND NIGERIAN PETROLEUM, AND ABOVE ALL BY LIBYA'S RECENT NATIONALIZATION OF FOREIGN OIL COMPANIES. (SECRET) TEHRAN 6278, 9/4 (EXDIS)

3. ISRAEL ADOPTS NEW POLICY ON ARAB TERRITORIES

BY UNANIMOUS DECISION, THE RULING ISRAELI LABOR PARTY SECRETARIAT HAS ADOPTED A NEW POSITION WHICH ENCOURAGES ISRAELI SETTLEMENT IN OCCUPIED ARAB TERRITORIES. PRIME MINISTER GOLDA MEIR STATED THAT ADOPTION OF THE NEW POLICY DID NOT CLOSE THE DOOR TO A PEACE SETTLEMENT IN THE MIDDLE EAST. EMBASSY TEL AVIV BELIEVES, HOWEVER, THAT IMPLEMENTATION OF THE POLICY WILL ACCELERATE THE PROCESS OF CREEPING ISRAELI ANNEXATION. (CONFIDENTIAL TEL AVIV 6913, 9/4.

4. CZECHS ANXIOUS TO SETTLE US CLAIMS

EMBASSY PRAGUE HAS RECEIVED A FORMAL PROPOSAL FOR OPENING TALKS ON US-CZECHOSLOVAK CLAIMS SEPTEMBER 10. IN A MEETING WITH CHARGE WORTZEL, CZECHOSLOVAKIAN FOREIGN MINISTER CHNOUPEK, AFTER COMMENTING WARMLY ON THE RECENT VISIT OF SECRETARY OF STATE ROGERS, SAID HE HOPED THE TALKS WOULD NOT BOG DOWN, AND THAT THEY COULD BE COMPLETED IN A SHORT TIME. THESE, HE SAID, WOULD OPEN THE WAY FOR BILATERAL COMMERCIAL TALKS WHICH WOULD BENEFIT BOTH COUNTRIES. (CONFIDENTIAL) PRAGUE 2081, 9/4.

5. LPF SAYS AMERICANS CAN BREAK IMPASSE

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IN A PRESS CONFERENCE SEPTEMBER 4 LAO PATRIOTIC FRONT (LPF) SPOKESMAN PHOUMI VONGVICHIT BLAMED ROYAL LAOTIAN GOVERNMENT (RLG) RIGHTISTS FOR THE CURRENT IMPASSE IN CEASE-FIRE NEGOTIATIONS. HE CLAIMED THAT THE LPG, AT THE REQUEST OF PRIME MINISTER SOUVANNA PHOUMA AND AMERICAN CHARGE DEAN, HAD MADE CONCESSIONS IN GOOD FAITH ON THE UNDERSTANDING THAT ONCE THE PROTOCOL WAS DRAWN UP IT WOULD BE SIGNED. PHOUMI STATED THAT THE US EMBASSY WAS THE KEY TO RESOLVING THE IMPASSE AND THAT IT COULD PRESSURE THE RIGHTISTS INTO AGREEING TO THE PROTOCOL. (UNCLASSIFIED) VIENTIANE 6120, 9/4.

6. THAIS TAKE UMBRAGE AT GOLDWATER STATEMENT

SENATOR BARRY GOLDWATER'S STATEMENT OF AUGUST 31 THAT PRESIDENT NIXON WOULD BE JUSTIFIED IN LAUNCHING FULL SCALE BOMBING RAIDS IF COMMUNIST FORCES ATTEMPTED TO OVER-RUN THAILAND HAS DRAWN CONSIDERABLE CRITICISM FROM THE LOCAL PRESS AND STUDENTS ACCORDING TO EMBASSY BANGKOK. THE EMBASSY RECOMMENDS THE SENATOR BE INFORMED OF THAI REACTIONS IN THE EVENT HE WISHE TO MAKE A CLARIFICATION TO HIS STATEMENT. (CONFIDENTIAL) BANGKOK 13781, 9/4.

7. ARAB SOLIDARITY WITH LIBYA

FOLLOWING ITS SEPTEMBER 4 MEETING IN KUWAIT, THE MINISTERIAL COUNCIL OF THE ORGANIZATION OF ARAB PETROLEUM COUNTRIES ISSUED A COMMUNIQUE EXPRESSING GREAT SATISFACTION WITH LIBYA'S NATIONALIZATION OF 51 PERCENT OF THE ASSETS OF FOREIGN OIL COMPANIES. IT ALSO SELECTED LIBYA'S CANDIDATE TO BE SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE ORGANIZATION AND PROMISED TO MONITOR ANY ATTEMPTS BY COUNTRIES SEEKING TO RETALIATE AGAINST LIBYA. FBIS 104, 9/4.

8. A POLITICAL ROLE FOR THE FANK?

GIVEN THE PROLONGED HOSTILITIES AND THE ELUSIVENESS OF A SETTLEMENT IN CAMBODIA, A MILITARY TAKEOVER COULD BE AN INCREASING POSSIBILITY COMMENTS AMBASSADOR SWANK. IN
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HIS FAREWELL CALL ON GENERAL FERNANDEZ, HE DETECTED IN THE FANK COMMANDER NASCENT POLITICAL AMBITIONS. FERNANDEZ REITERATED HIS ANTAGONISM TOWARDS IN TAM, HAD LITTLE TO SAY IN FAVOR OF ANY OTHER CONTEMPORARY KHMER POLITICAL LEADER, AND IN RESPONSE TO THE AMBASSADOR'S DIRECT QUESTION, CONFIRMED HE HAD CONSIDERED MOVING HIMSELF AND THE FANK INTO POLITICS, BUT HE HAD REACHED NO CONCLUSION. (SECRET) PHNOM PENH 9293, 9/4 (EXDIS) RUSH UNQUOTE RUSH

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